FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009



Town of Forest Heights

Forest Heights, Maryland

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and Members Of the Town Council Town of Forest Heights, Maryland

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the town of Forest Heights as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the Town of Forest Height's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Forest Heights' management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement's presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund information of the Town of Forest Heights as of June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with the Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued a report dated December 29, 2009 on my consideration of the Town of Forest Height's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

FRANCIS J. DiSALVO

The Management's Discussions and Analysis and the other required supplementary information on pages 29 through 31 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted primarily of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurements and presentation of the supplemental information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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Management Discussion and Analysis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

This section of the Town of Forest Height's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Town's financial performance during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. Please read it with the Town's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

Financial Highlights

The assets of the Town exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$1,938,858 (Net Assets).

The Town's total net assets increased by \$245,599. As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's general fund reported a surplus of \$334,827, an increase of \$228,577 in comparison to the prior year. The Town's total long-term obligations decreased by \$4,068.

Overview of Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide statements, 2) fund statements and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

<u>Government-wide financial statements</u>. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the Town's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating. To assess the overall health of the Town, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's roads.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during fiscal year 2009. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Town that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The government activities of the Town include general government, public safety, and public works.

Management Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

In the government-wide financial statements, the Town's activities are in one category:

Governmental Activities: Most of the Town's basic services are included here, such as the
police, public works, and general administration. Property taxes and state and federal
grants finance most of these activities.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u>. The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Town's funds, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds (not the Town as a whole). Funds are accounting devices that the Town uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs. Some funds are required by State law and by bond covenants. The Town Council establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes (like agency trust funds for police services).

The Town has one major fund, the general fund.

• General fund: The Town's basic services are included in the general fund, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets can be readily converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the general fund statement provides a short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent on the near future to finance the Town's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information in the reconciliation statements that explain the relationship (or differences) between them.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain other supplementary information. The town adopts an annual budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement for the general fund is presented immediately after the basic financial statements to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Management Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

Major features of the Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The chart below summarizes the major features of the Town's financial statements, including the portion of the activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of Management's Discussion and Analysis highlights the structure and content of each of the statements.

	GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS	FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
SCOPE	ENTIRE TOWN (EXCEPT FIDUCIARY FUNDS)	THE ACTIVITIES OF THE TOWN THAT ARE NOT PROPRIETARY OR FIDUCIARY.
Required financial Statements	 Statement of net assets Statement of activities 	 Balance sheet Statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances
Accounting basis and measurement focus.	Accrual accounting and economic resources' focus.	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus.
Type of asset/liability information.	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term.	Generally, assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter.
Type of in-flow/out-flow information.	All revenues and expenses during the year.	Revenues for which cash is received, expenditures when goods or services have been received, and related liabilities that are due and payable.

Management Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The Town's combined assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,938,858 at the close of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

The Town's net assets reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for spending. Although the Town's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

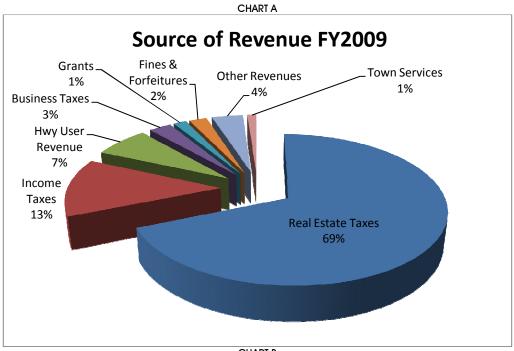
The following table presents a summary of the Statement of Net Assets for the Town as of June 30, 2009 and 2008.

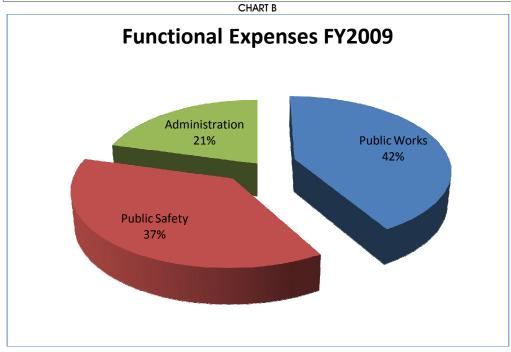
Condensed Statement of Net Assets

Condensed sidlement d	7 Nei Asseis	
Assets	Governmen 2009	tal Activities 2008
Current and other assets Capital Assets Total assets	\$ 400,530 1,627,345 2,027,875	\$ 198,207 1,614,391 1,812,598
Liabilties		
Long-term liabilities outstanding Other Liabilities	4,500 84,517	27,382 91,957
Total liabilities Net Assets	1,938,858	1,693,259
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 1,627,345 311,513	\$ 1,605,939 87,320
Total net assets	\$ 1,938,858	\$ 1,693,259

Management Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

The Town's revenue totaled \$1,410,428 (see Chart A). 69% of the Town's revenue comes from real property taxes, and 85 cents of every dollar comes from some type of tax (see Chart A). The Town's expenses cover a range of services, with about 37% related to public safety and 42% to public works (see Chart B).





Management Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

The following table presents a condensed statement of activities and changes in net assets for the Town for the year ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

Condensed Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

		Governmer	ntal A	
		2009		2008
Revenues	_		_	
Program Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$	15,386	\$	16,127
Operating grants and				
Contributions		22,273		62,420
Capital grants and				
Contributions		0		0
General Revenues				
Property Taxes		970,005		733,340
Intergovernmental		286,277		305,934
Other		116,487		71,840
Total Revenues	\$	1,410,428	\$	1,189,661
Total Revenues Expenses	\$	1,410,428	\$	1,189,661
	_	1,410,428	_	1,189,661
Expenses Administration	\$	241,455	\$	254,516
Expenses Administration Public Safety	_		_	254,516 408,938
Expenses Administration	_	241,455	_	254,516
Expenses Administration Public Safety	_	241,455 437,931	\$	254,516 408,938
Expenses Administration Public Safety Public Works	\$	241,455 437,931 485,443	\$	254,516 408,938 443,132
Expenses Administration Public Safety Public Works	\$	241,455 437,931 485,443	\$	254,516 408,938 443,132
Expenses Administration Public Safety Public Works Total Expenses	\$	241,455 437,931 485,443 1,164,829	\$	254,516 408,938 443,132 1,106,586

Management Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS

The focus of the governmental general fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the town's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. At the end of the current fiscal year, the governmental general fund, the chief operating fund of the Town, reported an ending surplus fund balance of \$334,827, an increase of \$228,577 over the prior year.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets: The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2009 was \$1,627,645 (net of accumulated depreciation). The investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, vehicles, and equipment. The following is a summary of the capital assets.

Capital Assets Net of Depreciation

	Governm	nental Activities
	2009	2008
Land Buildings Vehicles Equipment Street & Infrastructure	\$ 5,039 112,946 82,04 ² 7,396 1,419,923	5 115,996 1 111,222 5 5,274
Total	\$ 1,627,345	

Long Term Debt: At year-end, the Town had \$23,314 in outstanding debt. The long-term debt consists of a TraffiPax settlement obligation and accumulated unused compensated absences. Long-term debt decreased by \$4,068 from the prior year.

Long-term Liabilities

	 Governmer	ıtal Ad	ctivities
	2009		2008
TraffiPax Obligation Capital Lease Liability Accumulated unused	\$ 4,500 0	\$	8,875 8,452
vacation leave	 18,814		10,055
Total	\$ 23,314	\$	27,382

Management Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

CONTACTING THE TOWN'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayer's, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances and to demonstrate the Town's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need for additional information, contact the Treasurer's Office, Town of Forest Heights, 5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, Maryland 20744-1998.

Statement of Net Assets For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 370,883	
Accounts Receivable		
Personal Property Taxes	10,114	
Grant Receivable	721	
Cable TV Franchise Fees	3,834	
Highway User Revenue	12,979	
Disposal Rebates	1,999	
Capital Assets		
Nondepreciable assets - Land	5,039	
Depreciable assets, net	 1,622,306	
Total assets	\$ 2,027,875	
Liabilities		_
Accounts payable	\$ 30,535	
Revolving Credit Accounts	723	
Accrued Leave Liability	18,814	
Accrued liabilties	34,445	
Noncurrent liabilities		
Due within one year	4,500	
Due in more than one year	 0	
Total liabilities	\$ 89,017	
Net Assets		
	 1 (07.645	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 1,627,345	
Unrestricted Surplus (Deficit)	 311,513	
Total net assets	\$ 1,938,858	

Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

		Progran	n Revenues	Re C	et (Expenses) evenue and Changes in Net Assets
Function/Programs	Expenses	Charge for Service	Operating and Capital Grant Contributions		overnmental Activities
Governmental Activities					
Administration Public Safety Public Works	\$ 241,455 437,931 485,443	\$ 4,325 10,255 806	\$ 22,273 0	\$	(237,130) (405,403) (484,637)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 1,164,829	\$ 15,386	\$ 22,273	\$	(1,127,170)
	General Revenu	ues			
	Real Estate Tax Income Tax Highway User R			\$	970,005 181,951 96,330
	Cable TV Franc				17,611
	Tangible Persor		Itility Taxes		21,547
	Waste Disposal Miscellaneous	Repaies			7,996 77,329
	Total General R	evenue		\$	1,372,769
	Change in Net	Assets		\$	245,599
	Net Assets - beg	ginning			1,693,259
	Net Assets - end	ding		\$	1,938,858

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds As of June 30, 2009

Assets		
		272.222
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$	370,883
Accounts Receivable		
Cable TV Franchise Fee		3,834
Business Personal Property Taxes		10,114
Highway User Revenue		12,979
Disposal Rebates		1,999
Grant Receivable		721
Total assets	\$	400,530
Liabilities		
Accounts payable		
Accounts payable	\$	30,535
Accrued liabilities	Y	34,445
Short Term Credit		723
Total liabilities	\$	65,703
Fund Equity		
Fund Balance		
Unreserved - undesignated	\$	334,827
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$	400,530

Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet To the Statement of Net Assets For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

TOTAL FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	\$ 334,827
AMOUNTS REPORTED IN GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE	
Capital Assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds	
Cost of capital assets \$ 2,786,822 Accumulated Depreciation (1,159,477)	
Certain receivables are offset by deferred revenue in the governmental funds since they are not available to pay for current-period expenditures. This is the amount of deferred revenue related to these receivables	1,627,345
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period, and therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the funds	
Settlement Obligation \$ (4,500) Accumulated Unused Compensated Absences (18,814)	 (23,314)

NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 1,938,858

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

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Real Estate Tax	\$ 970,005
Income Tax	181,951
Highway User Revenue	96,330
Cable TV Franchise Fee	21,547
Operating and Capital Grants	22,273
Tangible Personal Property & Utility Taxes	21,547
Waste Disposal Rebates	7,996
Service Charges for Current Services	15,386
Fines and Forfeitures	30,970
Building Permits	500
Investment Income	1,675
Miscellaneous	48,582
l Revenues	\$ 1,418,762

EXPENDITURES

Current		
Administration	\$ 209,651	
Public Safety	336,646	
Public Works	423,028	
Capital Outlays	84,276	
Miscellaneous - Workman's Compensation & Payroll Taxes	123,664	
Debt Service - Principal	12,827	
Debt Service - Interest	 93	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 1,190,185	
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ 228,577	
FUND BALANCE - July 1, 2008	106,250	
FUND BALANCE - June 30, 2009	\$ 334,827	

Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund, Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

TOTAL NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

\$ 228,577

AMOUNTS REPORTED IN GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation in the current period.

Capital Outlays	\$ 84,276
Depreciation	(62,989)

Long-term debt repayments are an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. This is the amount of long-term debt repayments for 2008.

12,827

21,287

The proceeds from long term capital debt is reported as revenue in the governmental funds. In the government-wide statements, however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets and does not effect the statement of activities. Total proceeds were:

0

Some expenses in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.

(8,492)

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are not recognized unless they are deemed "available" to finance current expenses. Accrual-basis recognition is not limited by availability, so certain revenues need to be reduced by the amounts that were unavailable at the beginning of the year and increased by the amounts that were unavailable at the end of the year. This adjustment records a net decrease in "available" revenues at the end of the year over the amount at the beginning of the year

(8,600)

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF THE GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

245,599

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Town of Forest Heights, Maryland, ("Town") was incorporated in 1949 under the provisions of Maryland State Law. The Town operates under a Council-Manager form of government and provides a comprehensive range of municipal services as authorized by its Charter.

The accounting policies of the Town conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies followed in the preparation of the basic financial statements:

A. Reporting entity

In accordance with the Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, the basic financial statements include all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities for which the Town is financially accountable. The Town has also considered all other potential organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationships with the Town are such that exclusion would cause the Town's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a majority of the organization's governing body, and 1) the ability of the Town to impose its will on that organization, or 2) the potential for that organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Town. Based on these criteria, there are no other organizations or agencies that should be included in these basic financial statements.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements: The government-wide financial statements report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the Town. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely, to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Presently, the Town does not have any business-type activities.

• Statement of Net Assets: This statement is designed to display the financial position of the Town as of year-end. Governmental activities are reported on a consolidated basis and are reported on a full accrual, economic resources basis, which recognizes all long-term assets, including infrastructure, as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Town's net assets are reported in three categories – 1) invested in capital assets, net of related debt, 2) restricted, and 3) unrestricted. Presently, the Town has no restricted assets.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

- Statement of Activities: This statement demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include:
 - 1) Charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function, and
 - 2) Grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.
- Fund Financial Statements: General Fund is the main operating fund of the Town. This
 fund is used to account for all financial resources not accounted for in other funds.
 This is the only major fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts
 that are not restricted by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are
 accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures, fixed charges, and
 capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds are paid from the
 General Fund.
- General Fund Budget-to-Actual Comparison Statement: Demonstrating compliance with the adopted budget is an important component of a government's accountability to the public. Many citizens participate in the process of establishing the annual budgets of state and local governments, and have a keen interest in following the financial progress of their governments over the course of the year. For this reason, the Town has chosen to make its General Fund budget-to-actual comparison statement part of the basic financial statements.

Fund Accounting

The Town segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. These statements present the major fund as a separate column on the fund financial statements. All non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

Governmental funds are those funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. The measurement focus of governmental funds is on the sources, uses, and balance of current financial resources. The Town has one major governmental fund, the General Fund.

General Fund is the main operating fund of the Town. This fund is used to account for all financial resources not accounted for in other funds. This is the only major fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not restricted by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures, fixed charges, and capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds are paid from the General Fund.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to what is being measured; basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The economic resources measurement focus means all assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current) are included on the statement of net assets and the operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned. Expenses are recognized at the time the liability is incurred.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual, i.e., when they become measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used too pay liabilities of the current period. The Town considers property taxes as available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. A one-year availability period is used for recognition of all other Governmental Fund revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, are recorded only when payment is due.

The revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, franchise fees, licenses, charges for service, interest income, and intergovernmental revenues. Sales taxes collected and held by the state at year-end on behalf of the government are also recognized as revenue. All other governmental fund revenues are recognized when received.

D. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the Town to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

E. Encumbrances

The Town does not use encumbrances accounting.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity

<u>Cash and Investments</u>: For the purpose of the Statement of Net Assets, "cash, including time deposits," includes all demand, savings accounts, and certificate of deposits of the Town. Investments are carried at fair value. Fair value is based on the quoted market price.

<u>Receivables</u>: In the government-wide statements, receivables consist of all revenues earned at year- end and not yet received. Allowances for uncollectible accounts receivable are based upon historical trends and the periodic aging of accounts receivable. Major receivable balances for the governmental activities include taxes, franchise taxes, and grants.

In the fund financial statements, material receivables in governmental funds include revenue accruals such as sales tax, franchise tax and grants and other similar intergovernmental revenues since they are usually both measurable and available. Non-exchange transactions collectible but not available are deferred in the fund financial statements in accordance with modified accrual, but not deferred in the governmental-wide financial statements in accordance with the accrual basis. Interest and investment earnings are recorded when earned only if paid within 60 days since they would be considered both measurable and available.

<u>Fixed Assets</u>: The accounting treatment over property, plant and equipment (fixed assets) depends on whether the assets are used in governmental fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

• Government Wide Financial Statements: In the government-wide financial statements, fixed assets are accounted for as capital assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost, or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable, except for donated fixed assets, which are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Estimated historical cost was used to value the majority of the assets acquired prior to June 30, 2003. The Town defines capital assets as those, which have an acquisition cost or donated value of at least \$500 and an estimated life of a year or more.

Prior to July 1, 2003, governmental funds' infrastructure assets were not capitalized. The Town defines infrastructure assets to be capitalized as any road, street, and sidewalk, which exceed a certain cost of \$500. Capital assets are being depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	25 - 50 Years
Improvements other than buildir	ngs 10 - 50 Years
Machinery and equipment	3 - 20 Years
Infrastructure	75 Years

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

• Fund Financial Statements: In the fund financial statements, fixed assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

<u>Long-Term Debt</u>: The accounting treatment of long-term debt depends on whether the assets are used in governmental fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

All long-term debt to be repaid from governmental resources is reported as liability in the government-wide statements.

Long-term debt for governmental funds is not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements. The debt proceeds are reported as other financing sources and payment of principle and interest is reported as expenditures.

<u>Compensated Absences</u>: Vested or accumulated vacation is accrued when earned by employees and a liability is recorded in the government-wide financial statements. No liability is recorded for non-vesting accumulated rights to receive sick pay benefits, as the Town does not pay these amounts when employees separate from service. The Town pays all outstanding annual leave at separation up to one year's accumulation. The accrual is included in the government-wide statements.

Equity Classifications:

- Government-Wide Statements: Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:
 - (a) Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt: Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
 - (b) Restricted Net Assets: Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
 - (c) Unrestricted Net Assets: All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."
- Fund Statements: Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

G. Revenues, Expenditures, and Expenses

Revenue Recognition-Property Taxes: Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property. Taxes are levied on July 1 and are due and payable at that time. All unpaid taxes levied July 1 become delinquent on October 1. Delinquency in paying taxes results in the property being put up for sale in May of the respective year.

Property tax revenues are recognized when they become available. Available includes those property tax receivables expected to be collected within sixty days after year-end. Real and personal property taxes are levied at rates enacted by the Mayor and Town Council in the annual budget based on the assessed value as determined by Maryland State Department of Assessment and Taxation. The rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 was \$0.53 per \$100 of assessed value for real property plus a bulk trash flat tax fee of \$216 per home; and \$1.25 per \$100 of assessed value for corporate and personal property.

<u>Expenditure/Expenses</u>: In the government-wide financial statements, expenses are classified by function for governmental activities. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report expenditures of financial resources.

NOTE 2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

<u>Budgetary Information</u>: Normal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund. An annual budget is adopted for the General Fund. The annual budget is presented at a public hearing before the beginning of the year and enacted by the Town Council before July 1. In mid-year, budget revisions, if needed, are enacted by the Town Council. A final budget resolution, with revised appropriations, is adopted prior to year-end, as provided in the Town Charter. The staff as deemed necessary can make intradepartmental budget revisions. Appropriations lapse at year-end. The Town does not employ encumbrance accounting. The Town Council approved, by ordinance, the total annual budget consisting of anticipated revenues and proposed expenditures (appropriations). Any subsequent transfer of funds between major appropriations for different purposes must be approved by the Council before coming effective. All appropriations lapse at the end of the budget year to the extent that they shall not have been expended.

Actual results of operations are presented in the Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General Fund on the non-GAAP budgetary basis of accounting in order to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with budget estimates. There are no reconciling items between budgetary basis and GAAP basis for the year ended June 30, 2009.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 3. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The investment policy of the Town indicates funds shall be invested in the following:

- 1) U.S. Treasury obligations
- 2) U.S. Government agency paper,
- 3) Banker acceptance guaranteed by banking institution,
- 4) Money market mutual funds that restrict investments to short-term U.S. Treasury and agency securities
- 5) State or local government agency collective investment pools, where the investment policies are compatible with those of the Town. The policy also requires that deposits with financial institutions be adequately collateralized.

The Town's deposits at June 30, 2009 were all held in bank accounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or collateralized by the bank. At year-end, the carrying amount of the Town's deposits was \$370,883 and the bank balance was \$383,716.

NOTE 4. DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND TAXES RECEIVABLE

The June 30, 2009 general fund balance due from other governments and tax receivable is as follows:

	 2009	2008
State Of Maryland		
Highway User Revenue	\$ 12,979	\$ 23,521
State Police Grant	721	0
Prince George's County		
Grant Receivable	0	2,998
Disposal Fee	1,999	1,999
Cable TV Franchise Fees	3,834	4,716
Tangible Personal Property Taxes	 10,114	0
Total	\$ 29,647	\$ 33,234

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2009 was as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2008	Additions Retirements Balance Completions Adjustments June 30, 2		
Governmental activities				
Capital assets not being				
depreciated				
Land	\$ 5,039			\$ 5,039
Total Capital Assets not being	, ,,,,,			, ,,,,,
Depreciated	5,039			5,039
Capital assets being	-,			.,
depreciated				
Improvements	27,829			27,829
Buildings	243,790		-	243,790
Infrastructure	2,199,579	72,880		2,272,459
Vehicles	245,598	6,636	37,610	214,624
Equipment	18,321	4,760	-	23,081
Total Capital Assets being				
Depreciated	2,735,117	84,276	37,610	2,781,783
Less accumulated				
depreciation for				
Improvements	27,829			27,829
Buildings	127,790	3,054		130,844
Infrastructure	822,721	29,815		852,536
Vehicles	133,692	28,168	(29,277)	132,583
Equipment	13,733	1,952		15,685
Total Accumulated				
Depreciation	1,125,765	62,989	(29,277)	1,159,477
Total Capital Assets being				
Depreciated, Net	1,609,352	21,287	66,887	1,622,306
Government Activities Capital				
Assets, Net	\$1,614,391	\$ 21,287	\$ 66,887	\$ 1,627,345

Depreciation expense was charged as direct expense to programs of the primary government as Follows:

Government activities	
General government and administration Public safety Public works	\$ 889 27,480 34,620
	\$ 62,989

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 6. COMMITMENTS

<u>Tax Anticipation Loan</u>: In June 2008, the Town obtained a short-term tax anticipation loan in the amount of \$100,000 maturing June 11, 2009 with an adjustable interest rate commencing at 4.5% annual percentage rate from the Bank of America. The loan was paid in full in May 2009.

<u>Operating Lease</u>: In May 2007, the Town entered into a five-year operating lease with Konica-Minolta Leasing for a Konica-Minolta Copier. The future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Year Ended	Future Annual
June 30,	Amounts
2010 2011 2012	\$ 2,863 2,863 2,386
Total	\$ 8,112

<u>Capital Lease Liabilities</u>: In January 2005, the Town entered into a four-year capital lease for the purchase of a multi-purpose truck for Public Works. The lease liability was paid in full in fiscal year 2009.

<u>TraffiPax Settlement Obligation</u>: In November 2003, the Town entered into an agreement with TraffiPax, Inc. to settle its claim against the Town arising from the red light camera program (*TraffiPax, Inc. v. Town of Forest Heights in the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, Case No. CAL02-17506).* The settlement provided that the Town pay TraffiPax \$25,000. The remaining balance at June 30, 2009 was \$4,500 which was paid in full in August 2009.

<u>Changes in long-term debt</u>: The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2009.

	Balance e 30, 2008	Additions	De	eductions	salance e 30, 2009	Du	mounts e Within ne Year
TraffiPax Settlement Lease payable Accrued Vacation	\$ 8,875 8,452 10,055	8,759	\$	4,375 8,452	\$ 4,500 - 18,814	\$	4,500 - 3,762
	\$ 27,382	8,759	\$	12,827	\$ 23,314	\$	8,262

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 7. CONTINGENCIES

The Town receives financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The disbursements of funds received under these programs generally require compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements, and are subject to audit by grantor agencies. Any disallowed expenditure resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. In the opinion of Town management, no material refunds will be required as a result of expenditures disallowed, if any, by the grantor agencies.

NOTE 8. PENSION PLANS

Effective July 1, 1997, the Town adopted a Money Purchase Pension Plan administered by the Mayor and Council collectively known as the Trustees. All elected officials and all other employees who work at least 501 hours or complete minimum of 6 months of service and/or attain the age of 20-1/2 are eligible to participate in the plan. Each year, the Town makes a contribution of 6% of each employee's compensation that is subject to income tax. The vesting period of this plan is six years with 100% vested and non-forfeitable interest in the Employer Account. The normal retirement age is 65. In the event of resignations prior to normal age, participants will be vested and have a forfeiture interest in a percentage of the Employer account provided that the years of service for vesting have been met. The Town contributions to the plan net of forfeitures amounted to \$19,394 and \$23,731 for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008. The Town has no liability for post retirement benefits at June 30, 2009 and 2008.

NOTE 9. RISK OF LOSS

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The general liability risks are financed through the Town's participation in the Maryland Local Government Insurance Trust (MLGIT), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for municipal governments in the State of Maryland. The Town carries commercial insurance for employee health and workers compensation for employee accidents.

The agreement with the MLGIT provides that the Town will be self-sustaining through member premiums and will re-insure through commercial companies for claims in excess of \$1,000,000. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded coverage amounts, and no significant reductions in insurance coverage have occurred in the past fiscal year.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

NOTE 10. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Town evaluated subsequent events for potential required disclosure through December 29, 2010, which represents the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 11. NEW GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD (GASB) STANDARDS

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued several pronouncements prior to the year ended June 30, 2010, that have effective dates that may impact future financial presentations.

Management has not determined what, if any, impact implementation the following statements may have on the financial statements of the Town:

GASB Statement Number 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions," will be effective for the Town beginning with its year ending June 30, 2011. This Statement is intended to improve the usefulness of information provided to financial report users about fund balance by providing clearer, more structured fund balance classifications, and by clarifying the definitions of existing governmental fund types.

GASB Statement Number 57, "OPEB (other post-employment benefits) Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans," will be effective for the Town beginning with its year ending June 30, 2011. This Statement addresses issues related to measurement of OPEB obligations by certain employers participating in agent multiple-employer OPEB plans.

GASB Statement Number 59, "Financial Instruments Omnibus," will be effective for the Town for its year ending June 30, 2011. This statement updates and improves existing standards regarding financial reporting and disclosure requirements of certain financial instruments and external investment pools for which significant issues have been identified in practice.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

Schedule of Expenditures

Budget and Actual – Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Original Budget Actual			Favorable (unfavorable)		
						·
Taxes						
Town Real Estate Taxes	\$	960,293	\$	970,005	\$	9,712
Utility Taxes		13,000	·	11,210	·	(1,790)
Personal Property Taxes		9,000		10,337		1,337
		982,293		991,552		9,259
Licenses and Permits						
Cable TV Franchise Fee		28,500		17,611		(10,889)
Rental Permits		1,500		-		(1,500)
Building Permits		500		500		-
		30,500		18,111	,	(12,389)
Intergovernmental						
Income Taxes		135,000		181,951		46,951
Highway User Revenue		132,657		96,330		(36,327)
Grants & Bond Bills		223,497		-		(223,497)
State Aid to Police		27,640		22,273		(5,367)
Parks & Planning		10,000		-		(10,000)
Rebates Waste Disposal		7,996		7,996		-
	•	536,790		308,550		(228,240)
Fines and Forfeitures						
Red Light Camera		12,500		18,275		5,775
Municipal Infractions		1,000		500		(500)
Parking Fines, Vehicle Release & Accident Reports		13,300		12,390		(910)
		26,800		31,165		4,365
Charges for Services						
Municipal Building Rental		5,000		4,325		(675)
Grass Cutting		2,000		100		(1,900)
Metal Pick-up		3,745		689		(3,056)
Tire Disposals		356		17		(339)
Fingerprinting		3,500		9,560		6,060
		14,601		14,691		90
Miscellaneous Revenue						
Investment Interest Income		4,500		1,675		(2,825)
Loan Proceeds		350,000		-		(350,000)
Proceeds from Asset Sales		-		8,600		8,600
Miscellaneous		-		44,418		44,418
		354,500		54,693		(299,807)
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	1,945,484	\$	1,418,762	\$	(526,722)

Schedule of Expenditures

Budget and Actual – Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Original Budget		Actual		Favorable (unfavorable)	
Administration Expenses						
Salaries	\$	106,400	\$	104,383	\$	2,017
Operating Expenses	·	290,404		101,213	·	189,191
Capital Outlay		0		0		0
, ,		396,804		205,596		191,208
Public Safety						
Salaries		287,447		227,781		59,666
Operating Expenses		98,324		100,017		(1,693)
Capital Outlay		7,200		11,395		(4,195)
		392,971		339,193		53,778
Public Works						
Salaries		102,002		84,618		17,384
Operating Expenses		245,692		335,124		(89,432)
Capital Outlay		363,157		72,881		290,276
		710,851		492,623		218,228
Miscellaneous						
Workmen's Compensation		6,000		16,190		(10,190)
Health Insurance		65,000		66,773		(1,773)
Social Security Contribution		40,279		33,076		7,203
Unemployment Insurance		12,000		428		11,572
Retirement Plan Contribution		28,350		23,386		4,964
Debt Service - Principal		30,500		12,827		17,673
Debt Service - Interest		10,000		93		9,907
		192,129		152,773		39,356
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,692,755		1,190,185		502,570
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SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		252,729	\$	228,577	\$	(24,152)

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund. The Town Council approved, by ordinance, the total annual budget consisting of anticipated revenues and proposed expenditures (appropriations). The Council must approve any subsequent transfer of funds between major appropriations for different purposes before becoming effective. All appropriations lapse at the end of the budget year to the extent that they shall not have been expended.

Management represents that there were no other revised budgets other than the budget initially approved for fiscal year 2009.

RECONCILIATION OF BUDGETARY BASIS AND GAAP

Actual results of operations are presented in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Approved Budget and Actual – General Fund on the non-GAAP budget basis of accounting in order to provided a meaningful comparison of actual results with budget estimates. Under the budget basis, the budgeted revenue may include an appropriation of fund balance as a revenue source. There was no revised budget for fiscal year 2009.